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## FLYING VISIT

### Emperor William Visits at Tangier.

### PLANS WERE CHANGED

### Reported That an Anarchistic Plot to Assassinate Him Was Discovered.

### RECEIVED ROYAL WELCOME

### When He Landed He Was Received by Major Agnew and the German Consul and Was Guest of Honor at a Dinner and Garden Party by Consul.

Tangier, March 31.—Emperor William of Germany paid a flying visit to Tangier today, remaining barely two hours. An elaborate program had been prepared for his reception and entertainment but the committee were compelled to change it, the emperor confining himself to a visit to the German legation, where he was received by deputations of the Germans in Morocco.

The change in the plans caused much comment and disappointment. The emperor was expected to land about 3 o'clock, but was delayed three hours on account of the stormy weather.

The steamer Hamburg with the emperor on board arrived this evening, and as it entered the harbor the British Mediterranean fleet hoisted the German ensign. Blue jackets manned the ship and war vessels fired royal salutes, followed by salutes by the land batteries. The governor, field marshal and Sir George Stuart White and staff immediately went on board the Hamburg and welcomed his majesty.

At 8 o'clock this evening, attired in British admiral's uniform, the emperor landed and was received by Major Agnew and the German consul. Governor White gave a dinner party to 60 guests of honor of the emperor with a garden party and reception afterwards. Meantime the German consul gave a dinner party to a large party from the Hamburg.

After the departure of the Hamburg people for Gibraltar, it is said on good authority, that Emperor William, having heard that there was a possibility of a Francophile demonstration, occasioned by his visit, he desired to avoid such an incident.

Another report which, however, has not received official confirmation, but is generally accepted as true, was that the German legation had been informed of an anarchist plot that had been discovered to assassinate the emperor and they had advised the emperor and had tried to dissuade him from landing.

The British royal yacht Victoria and Albert, with Queen Alexandra on board sailed for Gibraltar at noon.

### GRAFTING IN PORTLAND.

### Wakefield Admits Contractors Received One Thousand.

Portland, March 31.—On his own statement, to which is appended a sworn affidavit, Robert Wakefield declares that three contractors were paid \$1000 each to withdraw their bids from the competition for the construction of the port of Portland dry dock. It is also alleged that this is a partnership deal and that J. B. Bridges is as deeply concerned in it as is Wakefield, the firm of Bridges & Wakefield being the successful contractors.

This statement is contained in an answer to the suit for an accounting brought by J. B. Bridges against Robert Wakefield in the circuit court. The document was never filed, but was regularly served on Bridges and his attorneys, and is now in the possession of Judge J. C. Moreland.

The contractors named are Joseph Paquet, Sydney Smith and J. E. Bennett. After this answer, in which this statement is made, was served on

Bridges and his attorneys, it is claimed an effort was made to recall it by Wakefield, but Bridges had possession and refused to give it up, turning it over to his legal advisors to be used in the criminal and civil trials which are now pending in the circuit court.

### MILK SCANDAL.

### Tacoma Milk Is Reported to Be Very Foul.

Tacoma, March 31.—Tacoma is in the throes of another milk investigation, and the report of the bacteriologist employed to investigate has caused a great sensation.

Miss Rose Bebb, who was engaged by the city to make tests of milk consumed in Tacoma, declares that a large amount of the local supply is contaminated to an alarming degree. Twelve tests showed the presence of 40,582,000 bacteria in one cubic centimeter of a milk sample. Miss Bebb says there are 100 times as many bacteria in Tacoma milk as are normally contained in ordinary milk.

Health Commissioner Love has submitted the report of Miss Bebb to the city council, and steps will be taken to remove all dairies from the city limits.

### AGRICULTURAL CONGRESS.

### American Interests Solicited in Congress at Rome.

Washington, March 31.—The Italian ambassador is moving energetically to interest the American government in the approaching agricultural congress to be held at Rome in the near future under the special patronage of the king of Italy, who is extremely desirous that the congress shall be a success.

The president has selected Henry White, the newly appointed ambassador to Rome, and Albert Wood, vegetable pathologist of the department of agriculture, to represent the American government at the congress.

## BUTLER IS KILLED

### Explosion of Powder Used in Taking Flashlight Pictures.

### THREE MEN ARE INJURED

### Albert Butler, the Photographer, Had Set His Grip, Containing a Large Supply of Powder, Down and Tripped When He Touched It Off.

Omaha, March 31.—While taking a flashlight photograph in a saloon today Albert Butler was instantly killed and William Coffee, W. J. Murray, M. Levy, were seriously injured by the explosion of the powder used by the photographer.

Butler had set his grip down, containing a large supply of powder, near where he was to operate and when he touched off the powder in the flash pan, the fire in some manner spread to the grip and an explosion followed.

### TEXARKANA FIRE.

### Town Partially Destroyed Entailing a Loss of \$75,000.

Fort Worth, Tex., March 31.—A special to the Record from Texarkana, Kan., says:

Fire started here this morning causing a loss of about \$75,000.

The buildings burned are partially covered by insurance.

As the fire occurred on the Texas side of town there were no buildings burned on which the insurance had been cancelled by the recent Arkansas anti-trust legislation.

### O'GRADY GETS IT.

### Appointed Police Commissioner in San Francisco.

San Francisco, March 31.—Alexander O'Grady has been appointed police commissioner by Mayor Schmidt to take the position made vacant by the ousting of W. W. Hutton. O'Grady is an attorney, 33 years of age. He did not come prominently before the public until a few months ago, when he defended Adolph Steffins, who was convicted of illegal voting. He is a graduate of Santa Clara college and of the Hasten's law school.

## QUEER THINGS

### Rogers Replies to Washington Gladden.

### ROCKEFELLER'S GIFT

### According to Rogers Standard Oil Company is a Public Benefactor.

### WAS FLAGITIOUSLY ACQUIRED

### Ministers Say Queer Things When Dr. Washington Gladden Says Rockefeller Has Acquired His Money Dishonestly, Says Mr. Rogers.

New York, March 31.—H. R. Rogers, vice president and director of the Standard Oil Company today made a statement as to the conduct of the Standard Oil Company, which was evidently prompted by the criticisms of the prudential committee of the American board of foreign missions for accepting the gift of John D. Rockefeller, Mr. Rogers said:

"Ministers say queer things. Dr. Washington Gladden says that everybody knows that John D. Rockefeller has obtained his money dishonestly. With as much reason I could say that everybody knows that Dr. Gladden would not trust the ten commandments for ten days with deacons of his church, because they would surely break some of them and bend the rest. Slavery in certain sections of the United States was legal until President Lincoln issued his emancipation proclamation. Rebates on railroads are just as legal until the passage of the interstate commerce law."

Columbus, O., March 31.—Dr. Washington Gladden, moderator of the general council of Congregational churches of the United States, tonight gave out a reply to the statement of H. H. Rogers, vice president of the Standard Oil Company.

"Mr. Rogers alleges that the vast sums of money extorted in rebates by the Standard Oil Company from its competitors were legally taken because no law explicitly forbade the same. What I said was that the money was flagitiously acquired. To coerce railroads into an arrangement by which it received a large rebate on not only its own oil, but on all oil sent by its competitors to force railroads to rob competitors for its enrichment, was, I admit, a flagitious policy, a shameful policy. If there was a law at that time by which that particular kind of robbery could be punished, the robbery was no less flagrant and outrageous. It was by this means that this enormous power was created.

Some of the apologists for the trusts are now asserting that money now under discussion has been legally acquired. "Legally," says a New York paper. There is no question that the money is Mr. Rockefeller's to give. If there is no such question, why is the United States government now investigating the operations of the Standard Oil Company?"

### DELCASSE'S SPEECH.

### Discusses the Visit of Emperor William to Tangier.

Paris, March 31.—Foreign Minister Delcasse made a significant speech in the senate, evidently designed to meet the questions in connection with the visit of Emperor William to Tangier today. The minister spoke with moderation, but his closing declaration that resistance in interested quarters would not cause France to modify her Moroccan policy, brought out vigorous applause.

The resistance of parties interested in maintaining the present anarchical condition of affairs leaves no room for illusion. But that will not satisfy nor modify our policy. Morocco is aware, both of our good will and our strength and also that we don't seek to expand

naturally through our program of Moroccan policy. It, therefore, appears that France will succeed in assuring its future in the western Mediterranean "without offending any right or clashing with any interest."

### EIGHT DEATHS.

### In New York From Cerebro Spinal Meningitis.

New York, March 31.—There were eight deaths Thursday from cerebro spinal meningitis again set in on Wednesday. Since noon last Saturday there have been 197 deaths from this disease in the entire city. Warmer weather which was confidently expected to lessen the number of cases does not seem to have had any effect. There are now 160 cases at one hospital. Diphtheria serum used in that institution of which much was expected has not produced results. Some patients so treated have recovered, but others died.

### Hugh McGroarty Dead.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., March 31.—Hugh McGroarty, one of the first miners in the anthracite region, is dead, at the age of 102 years. He retained his faculties to the last and died of general weakness. McGroarty worked hard in the mines until a few years ago, and never had a serious accident.

### NEARLY A RIOT.

### Workmen at St. Petersburg Demand Release of Prisoners.

St. Petersburg, March 31.—The Saturday morning assemblage of Workmen in St. Petersburg quarter met and demanded the liberation of imprisoned strike leaders, which nearly led to a riot. Mounted police and troops were summoned and surrounded the malcontents, who seeing that resistance was hopeless, dispersed. A few were injured in the scuffle.

## TRY HABEAS CORPUS

### Morgan Smith and Wife to Resist Extradition Proceedings.

### ARRESTED WITHOUT WARRANT

### When Arrested Yesterday Morgan and His Wife Were Simply Held on Suspicion, Which is the Grounds for Application of the Writ.

Cincinnati, March 31.—That J. Morgan Smith and wife would resist extradition and go to New York where they have been indicted for conspiracy with Nan Patterson, with the murder of Caesar Young, Mrs. Smith's sister made affidavit this afternoon and Attorney Shay, representing the prisoners, secured two writs of habeas corpus from the court of common pleas before Judge Smith, which were made returnable on Monday.

One writ is for J. Morgan Smith and the other is for his wife, Julia Patterson Smith. It is alleged in the writs that Smith and his wife are held without a warrant. When arrested yesterday the two were held simply on suspicion, but today, when it was thought that writs of habeas corpus would be applied for, Chief of Detectives Crawford filed in the police court an affidavit charging Smith and his wife with being fugitives from justice.

### JAPAN SAYS NO.

### Report That Japan Refuses Russian Peace Terms.

St. Petersburg, March 31.—A report is current here tonight that Japan has declined to negotiate peace on the Russian basis. The rumor cannot be traced to any responsible source.

### NEGRO HANGED.

### John Young Hanged at Waxachachie for Murder.

Fort Worth, March 31.—John Young, colored, was hanged at Waxachachie today for the murder of Albert Moore. One hundred and fifty persons were present in the stockade where the hanging occurred, while 25,000 people stood on the outside.

## FROM CASTRO

### No Danger of Financial Troubles.

### CONFIDENCE RESTORED

### Never Considered the Republic Was in Any Danger from Foreigners.

### WILL MEET ALL OBLIGATIONS

### We Wish the Peace of Justice, the Peace of Righteousness, Says President Castro, and No Nation Has Come to Fear Venezuela.

New York, March 31.—A desire for a peaceable adjustment of Venezuela's financial troubles is reiterated by President Castro of that republic in an interview cabled by the Caracas correspondent of the Herald. President Castro is quoted as follows:

"I have seen from the first that no danger was likely to arise out of the affairs which have unduly occupied public attention.

"Aside from other reasons, Venezuela places complete confidence in the words of President Roosevelt, who said: 'America's attitude toward all nations should be one of cordial and sincere friendship. We should show strongly our desire for their good will by acting toward them in a spirit of just and generous recognition of all their rights. We wish peace, but we wish the peace of justice, the peace of righteousness. No weak nation that acts rightly and justly should ever have cause to fear us.'"

"Venezuela's government asks no more than what Mr. Roosevelt proclaims.

"We hold that the French Cable case and the Bermudez case are identical. Neither company has fulfilled its contracts. Both favor revolutionists here. Their cases were not submitted to the mixed commission, because they knew it was Venezuela which should have made claims instead of themselves. Their disposition then was to ignore Venezuela's rights.

"The cable company is fully aware that they favor the revolutionists. Original documents and proofs are in possession of this government. The company and many persons of the greatest importance were seriously involved. Time will reveal all."

President Castro declared that the Asphalt Company gave the revolutionists \$400,000 in one instance.

### SEALERS FEEL STORM.

### Gale Off Vancouver Island Plays Havoc With Vessels.

Victoria, B. C., March 31.—The storm which during the past two or three weeks has raged off the Vancouver island coasts, has played sad havoc with the sealing craft which had just begun the spring hunting operations. The Eva Marie's canoes have all been broken and washed from the deck, and the Dora Steward lost the greater part of her sails. The Japanese sealing schooner Kinsai Maru, Captain Ritchie, was forced for shelter to Friendly Cove, Nootka. This schooner was dispatched from Hakodate to hunt off the coast of California and British Columbia, pending the opening of the season in the Behring sea. She had 100 skins, taken off the coast. Three of her Japanese hunters deserted her at Nootka.

### HOP ACREAGE.

### Three Hundred More Acres Planted This Year.

Albany, Ore., March 31.—At least 3000 acres of new hop yards have been planted in the Willamette valley this year, and in the course of two years Oregon's annual yield ought to be increased to 150,000 bales. The increase in acreage this season has been a re-

markable one—by far the largest, in fact, for a great many years. Marion, Oregon's principal hop-producing county, is responsible for the largest amount of the new acreage, but new yards are many in Polk, Washington and Yamhill. The hop acreage in Linn and Benton counties, lesser hop-producing districts, has been greatly increased proportionately this year, and new yards have been set out in some parts of Lane.

Douglas and Josephine counties, where few hops have been raised formerly. Some hop dealers make their estimate of new acreage as high as 4000.

This large increase is undoubtedly due to high hop prices the past few years, especially in 1904. It is noticeable that many business men not formerly connected with the industry are setting out yards this year. It is estimated that almost half the capital furnished for setting out new yards in the valley this year comes from men who have never been identified with that industry.

### University Team.

Berkeley, Cal., March 31.—When the University of California oarsmen go to Seattle to row their return race with the University of Washington in May there will go with them ten of the best track men from Berkeley to meet the track team of the northern university in a dual meet at the same time. The executive committee of the associated students of the University of California has accepted the challenge sent by the Washington athletes and some time in the first week in May the double contest on cinder path and water will be held.

### Baseball.

San Francisco—Seattle 4. San Francisco 11.

Los Angeles—Portland 3. Los Angeles 2.

## JAPANESE ACTIVITY

### Japanese Reported Trying to Start Another Boxer Move.

### WORK AMONG THE CHINESE

### Reconnaissances Disclose Special Activity Among the Japanese on the West Near the Mongolian Frontier and Trying to Create Disturbances.

Gunshu Pass, March 31.—Reconnaissances disclose that there is a special activity on the part of the Japanese on the west near the Mongolian frontier. It is reported that anti-foreign propaganda is being conducted among the Chinese who are being stirred up to a renewal of the boxer disturbances.

The Uun Yuan Min societies of Mukden and Kirin and the Tsai Li societies which are strong in Taitshar and in Northern Manchuria, are said to be working in spreading this agitation among the Manchurian population and Japanese success is doing much to augment the movement.

Many Chinese bandit chieftains are leaders in numerous secret societies and extending throughout China, and their influence may have a powerful effect on the attitude of the Chinese government and population.

### JANE HAS A DINNER.

### Founder and Head Worker of the Hull House of Chicago.

New York, March 31.—Miss Jane Addams, founder and head worker of Hull house, Chicago, and an active split among settlement workers, has been the guest of honor at a dinner given by the Association of Neighborhood Workers.

Nearly all of the active workers of the university settlement were present and many others interested in the question of bettering the condition of the poor people. Miss Addams addressed the gathering briefly.

"The work of uplifting the poor and helping them to become good citizens is," she said, "going steadily forward. We who are laboring in Chicago believe we are making a great deal of progress and that naturally helps us to work harder, and it also encourages other workers in other sections of the country."